

Impact of EXPRESS Amendment on 10303 Implementation Methods

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Summary

- **Extensions to EXPRESS**
 - **Found at**
 - http://www.nist.gov/sc4/wg_qc/wg11/n104/WG11_N104.html
 - **Add extensible constructed types**
 - **Separate supertype constraint from entity declaration**
 - **Allow abstract entity with generic attribute types**
 - **Add renaming of redeclared attributes**
 - **Add schema version identification**
 - **Add EXPRESS language version identification**
 - **Upward compatible except for new keywords**
- **Approved at New Orleans ISO in November to be registered as DIS**

What to do... a completely different alternative

- **We can update some or all of the P2x standards based on the EXPRESS amendment**
 - Probably the best approach
- **As a completely different approach...**
 - We could standardize a mapping from EXPRESS amendment schemas to EXPRESS 1994 schemas
 - We could make minor update to P2x stating the amendment to IS mapping is required for that implementation method
 - An extension to SHTOLO could handle this
- **We could do both**

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- **Sample Amendment to IS mappings**
 - Schema version id -> remark
 - Language version id -> remark
 - Abstract entity -> Abstract supertype, migrate attributes to subtypes
 - Rename redeclared -> lose this
 - Subtype constraint -> Create supertype constraints, lose or map totalover
 - Extensible select -> normal select
 - Extensible enum -> normal enum, lose compatibility of same named enum items